PRICE TWO CENTS.

Rooms. Use Tee-Dec Want Ads. and you

THE DISPATCH, FOUNDED 1886.

WHOLE NUMBER 16,639.

RICHMOND, VA., THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1904.

#### SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 11.—Forecast for hursday and Friday: Virginia—Fair in west, rain in east por-on Thursday, followed by much cooler; risk to high northwest winds; Friday itr. brisk to high northern and much cooler fair. North Carolina-Entr and much cooler Thursday, diminishing northwest winds;

RANGE OF THE THERMOMETE	SR.
12 M	75 81 78
6 P. M	75 66
Average	74 5-6
Titebest temperature vesterday	0009795001.

and Mr. Hyde.

#### THINKS ROCK ISLAND IS AFTER SOUTHERN

(Special to The Times—spate (I).

NEW YORK, September 11—A theory regarding the advance in Southern Rathway is that the stock is being bought through J. P. Morgan and Company for the Rock Island interest. The voting trust is controlled by Morgan interests and probably could be terminated if these were willing to see the control passed to another road. In this connection it was recalled that Rock Island at one time contemplated the purchase of the Seaboard, but was not altogether satisfied with the result of an examination of the property. This is, by some, thought to with the result of an examination of the property. This is, by some, thought to indicate a purpose, which might be fulfilled through purchase of Southern Rallway. Southern and Rock Island connect, forming a reasonable direct through line, practically across the

#### ALL PRISONERS IN WILCOX JAIL ESCAPE

(By Associated Press.)

MOBILE, ALA. Sept. 14.-A special from Camden, Ala., says that all the prisoners confined in the Wilcox county jail broke jail and escaped to-day, Four alleged nurders were in the party. Bloodhounds will be put on their track,

### WANT HELP TO-DAY.

The li advertisements for help published in to-day's Times-Disputes on page 8 are as follows :

3 Trades. 2 Office Help. 2 Domestics. 3 Salesmen. 1 Saleswoman. 8 Salesmen. 1 Sales 5 Miscellaneous.

This not only interests those sut of work, but those desiring to improve their positions as well.

# **BIG STORM** REACHES RICHMOND

High Wind, Heavy Rain and Telegraph Service Impaired.

#### **ELECTRIC WIRES** CUT UP ANTICS.

Becoming Crossed, They Cause Flashes on Many Buildings in Banking District and Cause Great Excitement - Several Persons Shocked-Severe in North Carolina.

#### Pranks of the Wires.

he alarm was due to a contact of wires

lowed by a swarming crowd. The time the alarm was due to a contact of wires upon the roof of the Merchants Bank building, and it was thought the structure was ablaze within. Firemen with the chemical hone went into the building and up to the roof.

Soon a light from a lantern was seen flickering on the roof and in another moment a heavy voice bawled down, "Nothing the matter up here." A moment later a flash of blue and yellow flared upward and denied his statement. The flash subsided and only the light of the lantern aloft was visible. Suddenly the man with the lantern touched the spot whence the blue flame emanated and the lantern shot upward and then fell downward to the pavement with a crash, acward to the pavement with a crash, ac-companied by a cry from above, "Look out, down there." The man was not seriously injured by the shock.

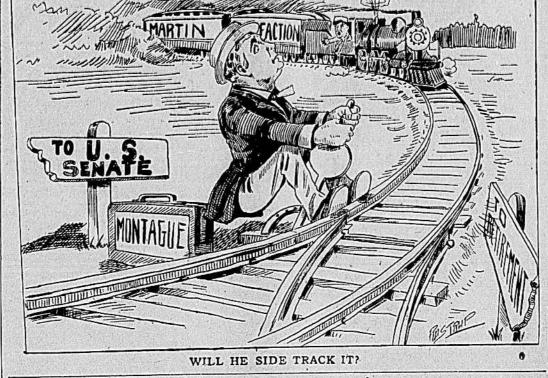
(Continued on Second Page.)

# BANKERS VOTE PROPOSAL DOWN

Feature' of Session a Spirited Discussion of Fidelity

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—The feature of
the annual sessions to-day of the thirthe annual sessions to-day of the thirtieth annual convention of the American Banker's Association in this city was a spirited discussion of what has been known as the Fidelity Plan. This involved the question of the organization entering into fidelity insurance business. The debate to-day was evoked by a proposed amendment to the legislation providing for the appointment of trustees by the executive council of the body for the administration of a fund to be termiced "The American Banker's Guaranty Fund," this fund to be devoted to the insurance of members against any dishonest acts by their employes. The convention voted the proposal down.

After an address of welcome by Mayor McClellan and a response by James Stillman, President F. G. Bigelow delivered his annual address.



Wise and Quigg Have Lively Dr. Levy to be Continued as Lena Can be Put in Seaworthy Tilt-Odell Victory Over Senator Platt.

HIGGINS WILL BE NAMED HAS

Judge Parker Leaves for New York-To Revive Democratic Clubs in the Country.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Sept. 14.—At 11 b'clock to-night there was every reason to believe that the following ticket, chosen by the Higgins supporters, would be nominated by the Republican State Con-

Governor-Frank W. Higgins, of Cat

New York. Secretary of State-John O. C'Bri

Secretary of State-John O. C'Brien, of Clinton.
Attorney-General-Jullus M. Mayer, of New York.
State Treasurer-John D. Wallenmeier, of Erie.
State Engineer and Surveyor-Henry A. Van Alstyne, of Columbia.
Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals-Edgar M. Cullen, of Kings.
Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals-

Odell Against Platt.

apparently tangled political sit-here yesterday had resolved itself uation here yesterday had resolved itself by the time the Republican State Convention, actually met to-day into a plain contest between Governor Odell and Senator Platt, which the former and his friends until the last noment, were trying to keep from taking open form upon the floor of the convention.

The convention held a brief session, during which organization was effected and an address was made by J. Sloat Fassett as tempovary chairman. The body then adjourned until to-morrow without any action, indicating the strength of the contestants for the gubernatorial nomination.

A sharp, interchange of personalities characterized the arguments before the convention Committee on Credentials this afternoon over the contest in the Nineteenth Assembly District of New York city. The participants in this exchange of opinion were Lemuel E. Quigg and

(Continued on Third Page.)

# NUST CONVERT THEIR HOLDINGS

Bondholders of Consolidated Tobacco Receive Notice Concerning Readjustment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEW YORK, Sept. 14.—Pondholders of Consolidated Tobacco, who wish to exchange for the securities of the new commany, bave been notified that they must convert all their holdings in order to participate in the company's readjustment plan. It is proposed that all of the present collateral irust bonds shall be withdrawn and that the only bonds to be left outstanding shall be the six per cent, and the four per cent, direct obligations of the lie weompany. The sixes will rank ahead of the fours. It is expected that practically all holders of the collateral trust bonds will accept the proposal.

# FIGHT FOR OTHER LIARS PURE WATER MUCH NEEDED

Expert for a

Superintendent Bolling Says His Tests Have Protected Public Health.

#### Made Partial Report.

submitted a partial report of Levy was heartly endorsed by Superinwork up to this time.

#### Much Good Already

Levy's suggestion that Mayor McCarthy had ordered the spring on Ninth Street, between Main and Cary, closed. The flow of water there was cut off on Tuesday because Dr. Levy discovered that it contained germs of disease.

other impurities in the water in different sections of the city were discovered ferent sections of the city were discovered by Dr. Levy and promptly remedied. This Water Committee ordered an ordi-nance to be reported to the Council, ap-proprinting \$2.700 to carry on the work for a period of one year, according to Dr. Levy's recommendations. Dr. Levy, who is regarded as authority on chemistry, will be employed to con-tinue his investigations if the ordinance is adonted.

## STARTLING RECOKD OF TRAGIC DEATHS

Results in Over Twenty Fatalities.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHICAGO, Sept. 14.—Chicago's startling record of tragic deaths at the hands of bundits during the past nine months is a striking exhibit of the reign of outlawry, which has swept over this city. During this period more than twenty deaths have been attributed to hold use on Chicago. been attributed to hold ups on Chicago Streets and in business houses, while the hospitals have taken in scores of patients dangerously, but not fatally, but by criminals. For these twenty-one deaths eighteen widows, thirty-eight orphans and two devoted hances have been forced to suffer.

Mr. Branch Honored. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, Sent. 11.—The American
Bankers' Association, of Greater New
York, presented a loving cup valued at 3500,
to dames R. Branch, secretary of the
American Association, in recognition

Condition in From Twenty to Thirty Days.

THIRD INSPECTION

Disposition of Vessel Will Depend Upon Result of Investigation.

In Need of Repairs. (By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, Sept. 14,—Active

#### MR. RANKIN VERY ILL, . BUT MAY RECOVER

Mr. Leland Rankin, publisher of the News Leader, continues extremely ill at the residence of Mr. John C. Robertson, near Forest Hill, where his family has been summering.

Mr. Rankin was taken sick about a month ago, at which time his physician pronounced his trouble to be typhoid force. Two weeks hiter pneumonla set

fever. Two weeks later pneumonia set fever. Two weeks later photonoma set in, and at that time he was considered to be in a serious condition. The pheumonia has been conquered, and his physician stated last night that he regarded Mr. Rankin as being extremely ill, but said there was every hope for his recovery, as the worst had now passed.

## BODY OF WOMAN FOUND IN TRUNK

Reign of Outlawry in Chicago Subsequently Identified as That of Mrs. Inez Smith, of Cleveland.

(By Associated Press.)
CLEVELAND, O., September 14.-The CLEVELAND, O., September 14.—The body of a young woman was found to-day crowded—into a trunk, which was picked up in the water under a coal dock on the lake front. A half dozen detectives were at once placed on the case, with the result the body was identified as that of Mrs. Inez Smith, of this city. The woman disappeared on September 6th. That she was murdered and her body placed in the trunk and thrown into the river the police say is certain. The police are looking for the woman's husband, who is a negro.

Found Dead in Bed.

# WILL BLOW UP FORT IF CAPTURED

Situation at Port Arthur Said to Be Very Desperate.

#### RUSSIANS PLAN TO WINTER AT HARBIN

Two Months More of Fighting, However, May Change Looks of Things-Kuroki Trying to Turn Russian Left at Muk-

Inactivity of the opposing armies Information coming from an authoritative source in St Petersburg is that the Russians will are reported to be collecting taxes in Manchuria, as though that coun try were conquered territory.

Sykwanton and so check the Japa-

upon the town without a fight.

#### SITUATION CRITICAL.

Reported That Stoessel Will Blow Up Fortress if Captured.

#### FORERUNNER OF BATTLE.

Kuroki Apparently Trying Turn the Russian Left at Mukden.

(Special Cable to The Times-Dispatch.
Copyright, 1904.)

SIN MIN TUN, Sept. 14.—From all that can be learned of the movements of the Russian army, it would seem that Kuropatkin does not intend to reliquish his hold on Mukden without once more joining issue with Oyama. Reports received here indicate that Meyendort's army has begun the work of strengthening the defenses of Mukden and have impressed inteller service a large number of cooles, who are employed in digging trenches and rifle pits. It is estimated that the Russians have about sixty thousand mensill at Mukden.

At Tioling, the work of fortification is said to be progressing very rapidly. It is planned on an immense scale, the mature of the position is such that many military men consider it impregnable. It Copyright, 1904.)

(Continued on Third Page.)

# LAST OF TROOPS LEAVE MANASSAS

Southern Railway Transports Ninety-two Train Loads Without Accident.

(By Associated Press.) WASHINGTON, D. C., September 14 .-The last of the troops present at the

recent regular army and militla/ manocuvers left here at 2:30 P. M. to-day when a train pulled out carrying the soldiers and animals, whose duty it was to stay to the end. The breaking up of camp began last Saturday at 5 o'clock, when the Southern Railway carried away the first train load of militia. From that 'time until this afterneon the Southern Railway carried away troops, baggage and animals. No accident of any kind, occurred to any of the trains.

Sons of Veterans, you are douby welsome, Upon your the cyps of Virginia, with unabated confidence and pride, will ever turn. You will ere long fill our places! You have made the fifth commandment the corner-stone of your organization. Cling to it, and the dessing of God and the ladies will be assured. The craven has said: "The Confederate tigher encomium could be asked? A tigher oncomium could be asked? A tigher encomium that tigher encomium could be asked? A sigher encomium could be asked? A sig oeuvers left here at 2:30 P. M. to-day (Special to The Timer-Dispatch.)

BALTHMORE, MD, Sept. 14.—Edward J.

Vagileld, of Richmond, Va., about sixity-rive years old, was found dead in bed
at Henry Shafer's Hotel, 23 West Fruit
street, late to-night. His death was
probably due to heart discuss,

# **GRAY LINE**

Confederate Veterans Enjoy Hospitality in Lynchburg.

#### JUDGE CHRISTIAN'S STIRRING REPORT

General Munford Makes a Stirring Address in Behalf of Garland-Rhodes Camp-The Adjutant's Report Shows Heavy Mortality in the Ranks.

LYNCHBURG, VA., September 14 .-

On the Platform.

On a broad platform were seated the officers of the Grand Camp, the spon-

corded Mrs. Nelms, Judge Christian in troduced Hon. N. C. Manson, Jr., for

Judge Christian concluded amid the nost sincere appliause. He then presented

right in love and war. We recall that Othello won fatr Desdemonia, by simply telling her the story of his eventful life. But we remember that when old Ponce de Leon, the bravest of the brave, came along, he failed signally. Meeting a lovely lassic, he approached her in the wildest strain. She smiled, she blushed, and wiped off a tear, but said, "Old felow, you couldn't do that again." And se it was, with some of your splendid grand-mothers and their sisters and daughters.

Confederate Chivalry.

was, with some of your splendid grandmothers and their sisters and doughters.

Confederate Chivalry.

They had heard so much of the dash
and gallantry of the old Confederates it
was taken as a matter of course. It was
just what was expected of men fighting
for wife, sweetheart, children and home.
It was their cause, which they were defending and while the ladies loved to hear
solidiers tell their story, they went on
"knitting socks," and "smiled as sweetand as initural as a basket of chips," So
I feel no especial responsibility here today. All of yon have been well posted
but if perchance, it should happen that
some old bachelor Confederate should
mount upon a high horse, and attempt to
play old Ponce's game, you have only to
remind him that, the worship due to you
and that most possing to the Gods, is a
cheerful and contented heart. Tell him
no crusty old bachelor possesses such a
disposition, for he has long since learned
that the hee only extracts the honey but
once from the same flower. But this he
does realize,
"Tis woman's smiles that lull our cares
to rest.
Dear woman's charms that give to life
its zest,
"Tis woman's hand that sooths affliction's bed.
Whee the old sweat and stays the sinking head."

Sons of Veterans.

## Sons of Veterans.